



## Early Journal Content on JSTOR, Free to Anyone in the World

This article is one of nearly 500,000 scholarly works digitized and made freely available to everyone in the world by JSTOR.

Known as the Early Journal Content, this set of works include research articles, news, letters, and other writings published in more than 200 of the oldest leading academic journals. The works date from the mid-seventeenth to the early twentieth centuries.

We encourage people to read and share the Early Journal Content openly and to tell others that this resource exists. People may post this content online or redistribute in any way for non-commercial purposes.

Read more about Early Journal Content at <http://about.jstor.org/participate-jstor/individuals/early-journal-content>.

JSTOR is a digital library of academic journals, books, and primary source objects. JSTOR helps people discover, use, and build upon a wide range of content through a powerful research and teaching platform, and preserves this content for future generations. JSTOR is part of ITHAKA, a not-for-profit organization that also includes Ithaka S+R and Portico. For more information about JSTOR, please contact [support@jstor.org](mailto:support@jstor.org).

## THE TRENHOLM FAMILY

Compiled by HENRY SCHULZ HOLMES

William Trenholme was a native of Allerston, Yorkshire, England. He was born there (the only child of his parents), in 1737, and married Ann Esther Lookuph, born in 1741, in Durham. They came to America in 1764, going first to New York and then to Charleston, South Carolina. He remained there until the revolutionary spirit began to be serious, when being an ardent loyalist, he carried his family to New York, thence to Holland, and thence to St. Domingo, from which place they returned in 1793, at the time of the revolution there, to Charleston, where they passed the remainder of their lives, Mr. Trenholme dying in March 1822. He was of St. Phillip's parish, and was buried<sup>1</sup> in the churchyard of St. Phillips. Mrs. Trenholme was of the Roman Catholic faith and was buried in the churchyard of St. Mary's, Hasell Street. (An addition to that church building extends over the graves of Mrs. Trenholme and others.)

### No. 1

#### WILLIAM TRENHOLME

Born at Allerston, Yorkshire England Feb. 1737 died at Charleston. 28. Feb. 1822<sup>2</sup> married Ann Esther Lookuph. born 1741. at Durham, Engld.

<sup>1</sup> An entry in the Register of St. Phillip's Church, is thus: William Trenholm, aged 85 yrs 28 Feb. 1822. Services by A. Gibbes. Three old Ladies, the last of the Trenholme family in England died in 1870 and London Solicitors, Head & Hill, 3 Raymond Buildings, Grays Inn, advertised in the *Charleston News and Courier*, for information concerning George Alfred Trenholme, Arsent Louise Trenholme and Esther Barron, heirs to the Estate. Gen. Wilmot G. de Saussure proved the claim and in accordance with family agreement, the estate was obtained by Miss Esther Barron and Miss Catherine Robertson, Grand daughters of William Trenholme.

<sup>2</sup> On 28<sup>th</sup> Ultio in the 85<sup>th</sup> year of his age, William Trenholm, [Mr. T. dropped the final e from his name] of North Allerton, [Allerston] in the Kingdom of England.

Many years a respectable Merchant of New York, and for the last 37 years of this City.

He died sincerely regretted by his numerous offspring. (*The Courier*, Charleston, S. C., 4 Mar., 1822.)

ISSUE

- I Esther, m. John Barron. Issue.
- II Elizabeth, m. Joseph Peppin.<sup>3</sup> Issue.
- III Mary, m. John Miller.
- IV George, died in London, unmarried.
- V Ann, m. John Robertson.
- VI William, b. April 1772; d. 3. November 1824; m. 1803.  
Irene de Greffin. Issue.

No. 2

(I.VI)

WILLIAM TRENHOLM

Born at Charleston. S. C. April 1772. died there 3 Nov. 1824.

Married in New York 1803 Irene de Greffin. daughter of Comte de Greffin, a French landowner in St. Domingo.

ISSUE

- I William de Greffin, b. 26 June. 1805; d. 17 Aug. 1871;  
m. 20 Jan 1831 Ann C Lilly.
- II George Alfred de Sepos,<sup>4</sup> b. 25 Feb. 1807; d. 9 Dec. 1876;  
m. 3 April 1828. Anna Helen Holmes.
- III Charles Louis, b. Oct 1809; d. 16 Sept 1865; m. Oct. 1835.  
Portia Ashe Burden.
- IV Edward Leonard, b. 21 Sept, 1814; m. Sept. 1836 Eliza  
Bonsall Holmes.
- V Esther Constance, d. 1857, m. Theodore Dehon Wagner.  
iss.
- VI Irene de Greffin, m. Thos. Osborn Dawson. iss.
- VII Arsène Louise, b. 1821; d. unmarried 14. Dec. 1869.  
Buried at Spartansburg, S. C.

No. 3

(2.I)

WILLIAM DE GREFFIN TRENHOLM

Born at Charleston 26 Jan'y 1805 died there 17. Aug. 1871.

Married. 20 Jany 1831 Ann Cartwright Lilley.

<sup>3</sup> There is a Tombstone in St. Phillip's churchyard to the Memory of  
Mathew Pippin died 1793.

Mary Pippin died 1790  
Joseph Pippin died 1791 } infants.

<sup>4</sup> Alfred George Trenholm dropped the "de Sepos" from his name.

## ISSUE

- I Annie Elizabeth, b. 19. Jan 1831; m. 30 Jan. 1857 James Young, of Alachua Florida.
- II Georgia Anna Helen, b. 11. Aug 1832; d. 1. June 1877; m. 25 Aug 1859 Alfred Haywood, of Savannah, Ga.
- III Paul Cartwright, b. 17. Oct. 1834; m. 20 Nov. 1856. Frances A. Dewar.
- IV Irene Ella, b. 29. Sept. 1836; m. 14. Apl 1864. Daniel B. Baker of Beaufort. S. C.; m. 12. Nov 1873 Francis J. Baker of England.
- V Emily Julia, b. 26 Nov. 1838; d. 17 Nov. 1839.
- VI Emily Julia, b. 21 Aug. 1840; m. 6. Dec. 1859. Daniel H. Tucker.
- VII Esther Barron, b. 27 Mch 1845.
- VIII Lila Lilley, b. 15 Mch 1849; m. 28 Sept. 1870 H. W. Dews of Savannah, Ga.

## No. 4

## GEORGE ALFRED TRENHOLM

Born at Charleston 25 Feb. 1807 died there 9. Dec. 1876.

Married 3 April 1828 Anna Helen Holmes, daughter of John Holmes Esq<sup>re</sup>. of Johns Island, S. C. and his wife, Ann Glover. daughter of Major Charles Glover. 1756-1817.

## ISSUE

- I Willam Le. Seigneur, b. March 1829; d. Aug 1829.
- II Geogiana Elizabeth, b. March 1830; d. Sept 1831.
- III Charles Glover, b. April 1831; d. Aug 1831.
- IV George de Greffin, b. Jan 1833; d. July 1833.
- V William Lee, b. 3. Feb. 1836; d. 11. Jan 1901; m. 1856 Kate Louise Macbeth. Issue.
- VI Irene de Greffin, b. 1837; d. Aug, 1838.
- VII Emily St. Pierre, b. 16. Jan. 1839; m. 21 Jan 1864. William Miles Hazzard. Issue.
- VIII Anna Helen, b. 15. Oct 1842; d. 1866; m. 1865 James Morris Morgan. Issue.
- IX Alfred Glover, b. 31. March 1844; d. 1877; m. 3. Apl 1867 Caledonia Brice. Issue.

- X Francis Holmes, b. 1. May 1846; d. 1885; m. 1. June 1865. Mary Elizabeth Burroughs. Issue.
- XI Eliza Florence, b. 22. June 1847; m. 4. Feb. 1868 Alexander Macbeth. Issue.
- XII Emma Josephine, b. 22 Mch 1850; d. 1885; m. 2. July 1872 Legarè Jones Walker. Issue.
- XIII Celestine Robertson, b. 17. May 1851; d. 1879; m. 15. Jan 1874. Derrill H McCollough. Issue.

George A. Trenholm was one of the most distinguished citizens of Charleston, in the middle and later portions of the nineteenth century, and his memory deserves preservation. A great merchant, a statesman of high rank, a man of unusual attainments, he used his talents always for the benefit of Charleston, and the state.

Entering early in life the counting house of John Fraser, a Scotch merchant, he soon became a force in mercantile affairs on a large scale. John Fraser & Co., owned ships, and established agencies in several European ports, and, when the war between the states came, they placed their resources at the service of their country, bringing in supplies by blockade running Steamships, and cooperating with the Government of the Confederate States of America, and continued to so act until the war ended when, naturally, the United States government endeavored to suppress the House. Mr. Trenholm was called to the counsels of the Confederate States and left his residence in Columbia on 16th July, 1864, for Richmond, and was Secretary of the Treasury until 7th April, 1865. He was imprisoned in the Charleston Jail by the United States authorities on 13th June, and sent thence on 18th June to Fort Pulaski. On the 25th June he was parolled and returned to Charleston, on 12th July he was again arrested, and he remained a prisoner until 14th October. (All these dates are taken from the diary of Mrs. Trenholm, who accompanied him.)

At a meeting of the Charleston Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Elias Horry Frost, himself an honored President of the Chamber, thus spoke of Mr. Trenholm: "The most noteworthy instance of Mr. Trenholm's greatness was when two years before his death, at the call of his fellow-citizens, he gave up the loved and pleas-

ant society of his home, in health then failing renounced his ease and comfort, relinquished the care of his business, laid aside the remembrance of his fame, forgot that he was a Prince among Merchants and had sat in Cabinets, an adviser in the struggle of nations, laid aside the pride which might well have led him to believe it his due to be called only to the highest places in the land, and for months gave his time for the Public good to his duties as a member of the Legislature of his State."

It was the universal respect for his character and wisdom, which was recognized even by the Adventurers and freedmen who then controlled the Legislature of South Carolina, that caused all to look to his influence for an amelioration of dreadful conditions. He did much to impress even such men as were robbing the State, and was listened to and treated with respect by them.

Handsome in face and mien with the manners of a Prince, he charmed every one with whom he came in contact, and all learned to admire a great man with no affectations, nor any desire to seem to be anything he was not.

## No. 5

(2 III)

## CHARLES LOUIS TRENHOLM

Born in Charleston Oct 1809 Died there 16 Sept 1865.

Married October 1835 Portia Ashe Burden, daughter of Kinsey Burden Esq.

## ISSUE

- I Marie Louise, b. Aug 1836; d. 24 Apl 1904; m. Jan 1861  
Tours Loire Bacot, Son of Maj. Peter Bacot. Issue.
- II Eliza Helen, b. 15. Sept 1838; d. 1888; m. May 1860 Dr.  
Peter B. Bacot of Florence, S. C.
- III Irene de Greffin, b. July 1840; d. 5 Mch 1914.
- IV Mary Jane Keith, b. 4. Sept 1842.
- V George Alfred, b. 31 Mch 1845; d. 1899; m. 1<sup>st</sup> May 1864  
Mary C. Smith; 2<sup>nd</sup> Mary Brawley.
- VI Charles Louis, b. Apl 1847; d. 1915; m. 1<sup>st</sup> Julia E. Smith;  
2<sup>nd</sup>,
- VII Thomas Burden, b. 9 May 1850; d. 10. Nov. 1911; m. 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Dec 1869 Susan King Giradeau.

No. 6 (2 IV)

EDWARD LEONARD TRENHOLM

Born at Charleston, 21 Sept. 1814. Died at Flat Rock N. C. 15. June 1883.

Married Sept 1836 Eliza Bonsall Holmes, daughter of John Holmes, Esq<sup>re</sup>. of Johns Island, S. C.

ISSUE

- I Anna Glover, b. 1837; d. 22 June 1842.
- II Eliza Grimbball, b. 1841; d. 12 June 1852.
- III George, b. 1843; d. 1855.
- IV Edward Leonard, b. 1843; d. 7. Aug 1873; m. 7. Sept 1865. Jane Gordon Waties. Issue.
- V Savage Deas, b. July 1844; d. 22 Feb. 1895; m. 7 Aug 1873, Alicia Middleton Ripley. Issue.
- VI Pierre Holmes, b. 1847; d. 6 July 1848.
- VII Glover Holmes, b. 1849; m. Julia M. Chisolm. Issue.
- VIII Helen Emily, b. 1851; m. 1874 Harry Morris Grimbball. Issue.
- IX Louis de Greffin, b. 1853; m. 1<sup>st</sup> 6 Nov 1877 Marie Simons Bowly. Issue. 2<sup>nd</sup> Mrs. Annabel Griffin.

Mr. Edward L. Trenholm was a man of unusual ability and attainments, and was the associate in business of his brother. He lived in England for many years as managing partner in the house of Fraser, Trenholm & Co.

No. 7 (3 III)

PAUL CARTWRIGHT TRENHOLM

Born at Charleston 17 Oct. 1834. Died there.

Married 20. November 1856 Frances A. Dewar, daughter of William G. Dewar. Esq<sup>re</sup>.

ISSUE

- I William Wagner, b. 16 Sep't 1857; d. 22 Sept 1893.
- II Henry Dennison, b. 17 Aug. 1859; d. 9 Oct. 1859.

No. 8

(4. V)

## WILLIAM LEE TRENHOLM

Born at Charleston 3 February 1836 Died at New York 11 January 1901.

Married 22 January 1856 Kate Louise Macbeth, daughter of James Macbeth Esq<sup>re</sup>. of Charleston and his wife Mary Vander Horst Barksdale.

## ISSUE

- I William, b. 8 Mch 1858; d. 1911; m. 1<sup>st</sup> Alice Hood 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- II George Macbeth, b. 3. Oct. 1859; d. 18. July 1902; m. 17 Nov 1881 Claudia Bissell.
- III Mary de Greffin, b. 8. Aug 1861.
- IV Kate, b. 8. Jan. 1864; m. Jesse Daniel Abrahams.
- V Julian de Sepos, b. 1. Mch 1867; m. Maude Twells.
- VI Anna Helen, b. 31 Jan 1870; d. in infancy.
- VII Constance, b. 22 Nov. 1873; m. Russell Bellamy, of Wilmington, N. C.
- VIII Helen St. Pierre, b. 31 Jan. 1878; m. 29 Jan 1912 Fre<sup>k</sup> Nash de Rosset.
- IX Arsène LeSeigneur, c. 21, Nov 1880; d. 5 Mch 1914.

William L. Trenholm began his education at the school of Christopher Coates in Charleston. He entered, in 1852, the South Carolina College, and was graduated in 1855, with second honour in a large class. Soon after he entered the countinghouse of John Fraser & Co., of which his father was the chief partner. After his marriage he went to Liverpool for the firm of Fraser Trenholm & Co. He remained in England for five years with success in his business pursuits.

In the winter of 1861, when the war between the states began he returned home, and at once became active in the organization of a company, known well afterwards as "The Rutledge Mounted Riflemen," of which he was made lieutenant and afterwards captain. He enlarged the company to a battalion and became its major.

In 1864 the company, incorporated in the Seventh South Carolina Cavalry, went to Virginia. On the day before the second battle of "Cold Harbor," the regiment became hotly engaged at



"Madaquire Creek" where, out of six captains, a major and lieutenant colonel, seven officers were lost. Major Trenholm was severely wounded. He was made Lieutenant Colonel of a new regiment then sent from South Carolina. At the close of the war, Colonel Trenholm went back to Charleston and resumed his place in the commercial affairs of the city. He had been an alderman, 1861 to 1865 and again served in that capacity from 1875 to 1877.

In 1885 Governor Thompson appointed him to the Bankers Convention at Atlanta, and there he made an address in favor of sound finance and the maintenance of the Gold Standard, which attracted the notice of President Cleveland, who called him to the office of Civil Service Commissioner, afterwards appointing him Comptroller of the Currency. In 1889 he was made President of The American Surety Co. of New York, and went to reside there. He was subsequently president of The North American Trust Co.

No. 9

(4. IX)

## ALFRED GLOVER TRENHOLM

Born 31. March 1844. Died Aug. 1877 at Greenville S. C.  
Married 3. April 1867 Caledonia Brice.

## ISSUE

- I Florence, b. 1. June 1868; m. 1908 Alexander Dunlop Lathrop.
- II Alfred, m. 1<sup>st</sup> Caroline Rhodes; 2<sup>nd</sup> Margaret Law.
- III Margurite, b. 11. June 1878; m. Robert Wooley.

No. 10

(4 X)

## FRANCES HOLMES TRENHOLM

Born 1<sup>st</sup> May 1846 Died at Washington 1885.  
Married 1<sup>st</sup> June 1865 Mary Elizabeth Burroughs, daughter of Henry K. Burroughs and Eliza G. De Saussure.

## ISSUE

- I William de Saussure, b. 12 Nov. 1866; m. Maude Edwards. Issue.

- II Francis Holmes, b. 5 Sep't. 1868.
- III Helen Morgan, b. 6 June 1871; m. William Wilson Breneman. Issue.
- IV Lillah, b. 13 Sept 1873; m. 1895 John G. Capers. Issue.
- V Bertha, d. infancy.
- VI Josephine, m. Hinckley Lyman. Issue.
- VII Ella, b. 10 Nov. 1877.
- VIII George Alfred, d. infancy.

F. H. Trenholm joined the Confederate service when a mere lad, he was attached to the staff of General Gist. He saw that gallant soldier shot through the heart; he was himself wounded on that occasion. After the war he engaged in planting near Columbia, then returned to his home in Charleston, going thence to Washington in 1887.

No. 11

(5 V)

## GEORGE ALFRED TRENHOLM

Born 31 March 1845 Died at St. Joseph Mo May 1899.

Married 1<sup>st</sup> May 1864 Mary Clifford Smith daughter of Phineas Smith Esq<sup>re</sup>.

## ISSUE

- I Marie Louise, m. Iebaud Hume, of Nashville Tenn.
  - II Irene de Greffin, m. Beverley R. D. Lacy of St. Joseph. Mo.
  - III Harriet Yeadon.
  - IV George Alfred, m. Jessie Kemper of St. Joseph. Mo.
  - V John Giradeau.
  - VI Mary Clifford, b. 1882; d. 29 July 1907.
- Married 2<sup>nd</sup> Mary Brawley. No issue.
- Mr. Trenholm was a Minister of the Presbyterian Church, South.

No. 12

(5 VI)

## CHARLES LOUIS TRENHOLM

Born April 1847 Died 1915.

Married Julia E. Smith daughter of Phineas Smith Esq<sup>re</sup>.

ISSUE

- I Charles Louis, m. Belle Grice.
- II Thomas Burden, m. Sarah Rutledge Bacot.
- III Alfred Legaré.
- V Videau Marion, m. Edwin Halsey.
- IV Julia F., m. Robert Kelly.
- VI Talliferro Thompson.
- VII Claudia Jenkins.
- VIII Frank Smith, m. Mary Lancaster.

No. 13

(5 VII)

THOMAS BURDEN TRENHOLM

Born 9 May 1850 Died at Camden S. C. 10. Nov. 1911.

Married 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec. 1869. Susan King Giradeau. daughter of  
Rev<sup>d</sup> John I. Giradeau. D.D.

ISSUE

- I Sarah Giradeau, b. 22 Jan 1874; d. 30 Mch 1902; m. 18.  
June 1901 James Blair Spillman. Issue.
- II Caroline Hopkins, b. 16 May 1877; m. 25 Feb 1903 Dr.  
Andrew Burnett. of Camden. S. C.
- III John Bohun, b. 5 Sept 1879; m. 1909 Helen Hodges Jones.  
Issue.
- IV Minnie Adger, b. 25 June 1882.
- V Robert Webb, b. 23 Nov. 1886; m. Sept 1913 Macgillirray  
Simpson.

Married second Della Hills. No issue.

Mr. Trenholm was a Minister of the Presbyterian Church,  
South.

No. 14

(6 IV)

EDWARD LEONARD TRENHOLM

Born 1843 Died at Greenville. S. C. 7 Aug 1873.

Married 7 Sept 1865 Jane Gordon Waties.

## ISSUE

- I Edward George, b. 11 Aug 1866; m. Dec 1889 Elizabeth W. Rhett.
- II Eloise Waties, b. 30 June 1868; m. 16 Apl 1895 Richard Caldwell.

No. 15

(6. V)

## SAVAGE DEAS TRENHOLM

Born July 1844 Died at Flat Rock N. C. 22 Feb 1895.  
 Married 7 Aug. 1873 Alicia Middleton Ripley, daughter of  
 General Roswell S. Ripley. C. S. A.

## ISSUE

- I Edward, b. 28 Mch 1874; d. 29 July 1875.
- II Alicia Middleton, b. 26 Nov 1875; d. 1 Aug 1882.
- III Helen Grimbball, b. 13 Aug 1877; d. 1909; m. 1 June 1904  
Overton Dickenson.
- IV John Middleton, b. 1. Oct. 1879; m. Louise Turley.
- V Mary Alice, b. 20 Feb. 1884.
- VI Leonard, b. 31 May 1885.

No. 16

(6 VII)

## GLOVER HOLMES TRENHOLM

Born 1849.  
 Married 16<sup>th</sup>. June 1875 Julia Chisolm. daughter of Doctor  
 Julian J Chisolm.

## ISSUE

- I Mary Chisolm, b. 14 June 1876; m. 1909 James Ferguson.
- II Julia Chisolm, b. Jan 1878.
- III Eliza Holmes, b. Dec 1880; m. 1908 D<sup>r</sup>. W. Hopkins.
- IV Julian Chisolm, b. Jan 1883; m. 1908 M<sup>c</sup>Kilopth.
- V Evelyn Chisolm, b. Mch 1885; m. 1906 Hardy Geiske.
- VI Glover Holmes, b. Dec 1886.

No. 17 (6. IX)

LOUIS DE GREFFIN TRENHOLM

Born 17. Dec. 1853.

Married 1<sup>st</sup> 7. Nov. 1877. Maria Simons Bowly.

ISSUE

- I Maria Simons, m. Adlai Osborne. Issue.
  - II Jane Heyward Vander Horst, m. Francis Bradley.
  - III Louis de Greffin.
  - IV Louise.
  - V Edward Leonard, m. Lydia Griffin.
- Married 2<sup>nd</sup> Mrs. Annabel Griffin.

No. 18 (8. I)

WILLIAM TRENHOLM

Born 8 March 1858. Died at New York 1911.

Married 1<sup>st</sup> Alice Hood. No issue.

Married 2<sup>nd</sup> ————.

ISSUE

- I William Lee b. 1904.

No. 19 (8. II)

GEORGE MACBETH TRENHOLM

Born 3. Oct 1859. Died at Baltimore. 18 July 1902.

Married 17 Nov 1881 Claudia Bissell. daughter of J. Bennett Bissell of Charleston. He was a lawyer by profession.

ISSUE

- I Claudia, b. 18. Mch 1886; m. 1908 Frank G Boggs of Boston.
- II George Macbeth, b. 2 June 1892.

No. 20 (8 V)

JULIAN DE SEPOS TRENHOLM

Born 1 March 1867.

Married Maude Twells daughter of John Twells Esq<sup>re</sup> of Philadelphia.

ISSUE

- I Helen Twells, b. 1897.
- II Julian de Sepos, b. 1902.

No. 21 (9. II)

ALFRED TRENHOLM

Born.

Married 1<sup>st</sup> Caroline Rhodes.

ISSUE

- I Ruby Margurite.
- Married 2<sup>nd</sup> Margaret Law. of Darlington. S. C.

No. 22 (10. I)

WILLIAM DE SAUSSURE TRENHOLM

Born 12. Nov. 1866.

Married Maude Edwards.

ISSUE

No. 31 (14. I)

EDWARD GEORGE TRENHOLM

Born 11. Aug 1866.

Married 17. Dec. 1888 Elizabeth Washington Rhett daughter  
of Colonel Alfred Rhett. C. S. A.

ISSUE

- I Elizabeth Rhett, b. 31. Aug. 1889; m. 12 July 1915 Arthur  
Stokes. Capt U. S. M. C.
- II Katherine Waties, b. 12 Oct. 1892.
- III Ann, b. 5 Oct 1894.